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**"Share your friendship, love and happiness
with club members and those we serve."**

PROGRAM: March 17th

**The Troubles of
Ireland
Irish John Gore**



PROGRAM: March 10th

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S CLEANUP AT
THE SANTA SUSANA'S FIELD LABORATORY**

John Jones & Stephanie Jennings



Lois Curran-Klein introduced John Jones and Stephanie Jennings from the US Department of Energy Environmental Management. They gave us an in depth overview of the cleanup that is ongoing at the Santa Susana Field Laboratory.

The Laboratory was established in 1959 in what was then a remote location. Reactor activity terminated in the 60's, with remediation going on since for 35+ years. Of the original 270 buildings, only 18 remain. All the reactors have been removed (one is in the Smithsonian.) For more information, including obtaining a CD (or download) of the Draft EIS (Environment Impact Statement), or to be put on the ETEC site mailing list, contact Debbie Kramer at the US Department of Energy, DOE ETEC Closure Project, 4100 Guardian Street, #160, Simi Valley, CA 93063.



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Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks Meeting

March 10, 2016



President Mike Murphy opened the meeting and brought up Paul Dryman for our Inspirational Moment and the Flag Salute. Traveler Dan Overton led us in "America the Beautiful".



Visiting Rotarians and Guests:



Mario Contini went around the room to introduce the following: Visiting Rotarians – Marilyn Lippiatt and Margo White from Westlake Village Sunrise and Mary Catharine McBride from Newbury Park. Guests were Lisa Makely with **Darin Arrasmith**, Colleen Anderson with **Sharon Renshall**, Scott Williams with **PP Nate Harimoto**, Michelle Nash with **PP Carol Freeman** and Kelly Cousineau and Debbie Kramer, friends of today's speakers.

Induction:



President Mike brought up **Tammie Helmuth** and her sponsored new member, **David Mirisch** and his wife Sandy. **David** is the Executive Director of the Moorpark College Foundation and is already known by many in the club. His background is in fundraising and events, and he comes from a promi-

nent movie business family. Welcome **David!**

Perfect Attendance:

Sue Engler received her pin for 7 years of Perfect Attendance (9 years in Rotary).



RI President K.R. Ravindran chose *Be a Gift to the World* as his theme for 2015-16. Ravindran urges Rotary members to give the gifts of time, talent, and knowledge to improve lives in communities across the globe. "Through Rotary, we can take these gifts and make a genuine difference in the lives of others and in our world."



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Fine Session



David Butcher spread the word about the Conejo Players current production "The Wizard of Oz" by

asking questions re: "Wizard" from the following members - **Roger Benson, John Dokken, Bart Goodman, Richard Ibarra, and President Mike.** The Wicked Witch from the cast of "Wizard" ran about the room, scaring all, especially since the witch was a he!

PROGRAM, March 24th

GRADUATE BUSINESS EDUCATION CLU's Program for Experienced Professionals



[Gerhard Apfelthaler, Ph.D.](#)

Dean, School of Management



Happy \$\$\$\$\$

Rich Folsom brought the cup and microphone to these Rotarians in exchange for their dollars to speak their mind: **Tammie Helmuth, Lois Curran-Klein, Dan Overton, Maria Prescott, PP Nate Harimoto and Mike Hebert.**



WHAT MAKES ROTARY DIFFERENT?

Our distinct point of view and approach gives us unique advantages:

- *We see differently: Our multidisciplinary perspective helps us see challenges in unique ways.
- *We think differently: We apply leadership and expertise to social issues—and find unique solutions.
- *We act responsibly: Our passion and perseverance create lasting change.
- *We make a difference at home and around the world: Our members can be found in your community and across the globe.

We've been making history and bringing our world closer together for over 100 years. Since forming in 1905, we've taken on some of the world's toughest challenges and helped a wide range of international and service organizations—from the UN to Easter Seals—get started.

[Learn about Rotary's history](#)

Birthdays

Mar 03 Scribner, Neal
 Mar 04 Yanez, Natalie
 Mar 12 Kniss, Deborah
 Mar 17 Feigen, Marc
 Mar 19 Friedl, Dave
 Mar 25 Torres, Jesus
 Mar 26 Moors, Don
 Mar 27 Winchester, Dick
 Mar 28 Magasinn, Michael



Anniversaries



Mar 04 Magasinn, Michael & Rhonda
 Mar 07 Sweeney, Bud & Norma
 Mar 26 Turpel, Pete & Michelle
 Mar 28 Engler, Susie & Bob



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Announcements



Nate Harimoto was pleased to present Shari Duval, from K9's for Warriors. Shari is the President and Founder, and began K9's after her son came back from the war, suffering with PTSD. **Nate** relayed that our local Group 4 clubs raised over \$65,000 for the cause, and presented her today with an additional \$11,000. Each of the club's members has the opportunity to name each of the three dogs we have sponsored, and can do so by submitting a form along with a small stipend. See Nate for more details.



Diego Velasquez and Claudine Schooley from the Rotary Club of Conejo Valley gave a talk and showed a video on an ongoing project that is near and dear to their club, the Wheelchair Foundation. They are raising money and awareness on the project, which provides a wheelchair to one that needs it for only \$75 each. See **President Mike** for more info.



Barb Murray came to talk about the upcoming Group 4 Community Service Work Day, Saturday, April 9th. In conjunction with the 100th Anniversary of the National Park Service, Group 4 Rotarians will be working to spruce up the Paramount Ranch in Agoura Hills. Members are encouraged to arrive at 7:30am through noon to work, and then have a lunch and tour at noon. **Jason Hardy** and **James Christie** from our club are helping to organize the event. There are duties for all fitness abilities.



Meghan Lopez gave info on sponsorships for our 40th Annual Chili Cook-off and Classic Car Show on Sunday, April 24th. Opportunities for sponsors range from \$250 for your logo on a banner (or \$200 if you're renewing) up to \$10,000 (exclusive Main Stage Sponsor), with several levels in between. Please consider advertising your business or name to help toward our fund raising efforts. There is a new location this year: Conejo Creek North Park! Visit the event website at www.chili-cook-off.com.



Steve Stanley wants the club to begin thinking about nominations for the John Conlan Award. This award goes to a deserving non-Rotarian in our community that consistently puts service above self.



Pat McCoy announced the annual Economic Forecast Breakfast is Friday, March 18th from 7am to 9am at CLU. Several well-known speakers will give their views on our County economy, including **PE Robert Bianchi**, and former members Assemblywoman Jacqui Irwin and Rick Principe. Register online at our website, www.thousandoaksrotary.org.



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PAST PRESIDENTS

ROTARY CLUB OF THOUSAND OAKS

59-60 JOHN HEYWOOD	88-89 KENNETH ROBERTS
60-61 MARV BURROW	89-90 JEFF BORENSTEIN
61-62 ROSS DUSKIN	90-91 DENNIS GILLETTE
62-63 ROY McCOMBER	91-92 MERV KOPP
63-64 PAUL PACE	92-93 TOM GLANCY
64-65 JOHN CONLAN	93-94 HUGO ROCHE
65-66 CARLOS SCURIA	94-95 BRIAN BACK
66-67 MERRILL DARLING	95-96 TONY KOUROUNIS
67-68 PHIL OZAB	96-97 JACK CAINE
68-69 WILLIAM VANDERZWANN	97-98 DICK WIELER
69-70 ALVIN J. HOLTZ, JR.	98-99 JUDY ST. JOHN
70-71 BEN CRANMER, JR.	99-20 MIKE GONZALES
71-72 GLENN GOODWIN	20-01 NEIL SCRIBNER
72-73 GEORGE VASLIEFF	01-02 BOB BIERY
73-74 HENRY STILL	02-03 HARRY SELVIN
74-75 JOHN TUEL	03-04 RICK LEMMO
75-76 KENNETH HANSON	04-05 DOUG TAPKING
76-77 DAVID HUANG	05-06 KATHY HILL
77-78 WILLIAM HAAS	06-07 PETE TURPEL
78-79 FELIX MASCI	07-08 VICKI ARNDT
79-80 HARLAND JONES	08-09 MARTIN ANDERSON
80-81 DAVE WENDER	09-10 KEITH PARKS
81-82 GEORGE GIBB	10-11 FRANK CORRIGAN
82-83 NORMAN NAGEL	11-12 RICHARD WILLIAMS
83-84 BILL PETERSON	12-13 SUSAN MURATA
84-85 MIKE O'BEIRNE	13-14 CAROL FREEMAN
85-86 MARV SOSNA	14-15 NATE HARIMOTO
86-87 FRED FERRARINI	

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